

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 4th day of November, 2008, Tom Udall was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of New Mexico a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2009.

Witness: His excellency our governor Bill Richardson, and our seal hereto affixed at Santa Fé this 7th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2008.

By the Governor:

BILL RICHARDSON,  
Governor.

## STATE OF VIRGINIA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the fourth day of November, 2008, Mark R. Warner was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth of Virginia to be a Senator from the Commonwealth to represent the Commonwealth in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2009.

In Testimony Whereof our Governor has hereunto signed his name and affixed the Lesser Seal of the Commonwealth at Richmond, this twenty-fifth day of November, two thousand eight, and in the two-hundred thirty-third year of the Commonwealth.

TIMOTHY M. KAINE,  
Governor.

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR UNEXPIRED TERM

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 4th day of November, 2008, Roger Wicker was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Mississippi a Senator for the unexpired term ending at noon on the 3rd day of January, 2013, to fill the vacancy in the representation from said State in the Senate of the United States caused by the resignation of Trent Lott.

Witness: His excellency our governor Haley Barbour, and our seal hereto affixed at Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi this 18th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2008.

By the Governor:

HALEY BARBOUR,  
Governor.

## ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

The VICE PRESIDENT. If the Senators to be sworn in will now present themselves to the desk in groups of four as their names are called in alphabetical order, the Chair will administer their oath of office.

The clerk will read the names of the first group.

The legislative clerk (Kathleen Alvarez Tritak) called the names of Mr. ALLEXANDER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. BEGICH.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. CORKER, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. BAKER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by

the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next four Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. BIDEN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COCHRAN, and Ms. COLLINS.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. CARPER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. WICKER, and Ms. SNOWE, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next four Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. CORNYN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. GRAHAM.

These Senators, escorted by Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. DEMINT, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. JOHANNES.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. BURR, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. LAUTENBERG.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DOMENICI, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. MENENDEZ, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. PRYOR.

These Senators, escorted by Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. WYDEN, and Mrs. LINCOLN, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BROWNBACK, and Mr. BYRD, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. SHELBY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. DOMENICI, and Mr. BINGAMAN, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. WARNER and Mr. WICKER.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. John Warner and Mr. COCHRAN, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

## RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The VICE PRESIDENT. The majority leader is recognized.

## QUORUM CALL

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The absence of a quorum having been suggested, the clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll and the following Senators entered the Chamber and answered to their names:

[Quorum No. 1 Leg.]

Akaka	Feingold	Murkowski
Alexander	Feinstein	Murray
Barrasso	Graham	Nelson, Nebraska
Baucus	Grassley	Nelson, Florida
Bayh	Gregg	Pryor
Begich	Hagan	Reed, Rhode
Bennett	Harkin	Island
Biden	Hatch	Reid, Nevada
Boxer	Hutchison	Risch
Brown	Inhofe	Roberts
Brownback	Inouye	Rockefeller
Bunning	Isakson	Salazar
Burr	Johanns	Sanders
Byrd	Johnson	Schumer
Cantwell	Kennedy	Sessions
Cardin	Kerry	Shaheen
Carper	Klobuchar	Shelby
Casey	Kyl	Snowe
Chambliss	Landrieu	Specter
Clinton	Lautenberg	Stabenow
Coburn	Leahy	Tester
Cochran	Levin	Thune
Collins	Lieberman	Udall, Colorado
Conrad	Lincoln	Udall, New
Cornyn	Lugar	Mexico
Crapo	McCain	Vitter
DeMint	McCaskill	Warner
Dodd	McConnell	Webb
Dorgan	Menendez	Whitehouse
Durbin	Merkley	Wicker
Enzi	Mikulski	Wyden

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER). A quorum is present.

LIST OF SENATORS BY STATES

ALABAMA
Jeff Sessions and Richard C. Shelby
ALASKA
Mark Begich and Lisa Murkowski
ARIZONA
Jon Kyl and John McCain
ARKANSAS
Blanche L. Lincoln and Mark L. Pryor
CALIFORNIA
Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein
COLORADO
Ken Salazar and Mark Udall
CONNECTICUT
Christopher J. Dodd and Joseph I. Lieberman
DELAWARE
Joe Biden and Thomas R. Carper
FLORIDA
Mel Martinez and Bill Nelson
GEORGIA
Saxby Chambliss and Johnny Isakson
HAWAII
Daniel K. Akaka and Daniel K. Inouye
IDAHO
Mike Crapo and James E. Risch
ILLINOIS
Richard J. Durbin
INDIANA
Evan Bayh and Richard G. Lugar
IOWA
Chuck Grassley and Tom Harkin
KANSAS
Sam Brownback and Pat Roberts
KENTUCKY
Jim Bunning and Mitch McConnell
LOUISIANA
Mary L. Landrieu and David Vitter

MAINE

Susan M. Collins and Olympia J. Snowe

MARYLAND

Benjamin L. Cardin and Barbara A. Mikulski

MASSACHUSETTS

Edward M. Kennedy and John F. Kerry

MICHIGAN

Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow

MINNESOTA

Amy Klobuchar

MISSISSIPPI

Thad Cochran and Roger F. Wicker

MISSOURI

Christopher S. Bond and Claire McCaskill

MONTANA

Max Baucus and Jon Tester

NEBRASKA

Mike Johanns and E. Benjamin Nelson

NEVADA

John Ensign and Harry Reid

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Judd Gregg and Jeanne Shaheen

NEW JERSEY

Frank R. Lautenberg and Robert Menendez

NEW MEXICO

Jeff Bingaman and Tom Udall

NEW YORK

Hillary Rodham Clinton and Charles E. Schumer

NORTH CAROLINA

Richard Burr and Kay R. Hagan

NORTH DAKOTA

Kent Conrad and Byron L. Dorgan

OHIO

Sherrod Brown and George V. Voinovich

OKLAHOMA

Tom Coburn and James M. Inhofe

OREGON

Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden

PENNSYLVANIA

Robert P. Casey, Jr., and Arlen Specter

RHODE ISLAND

Jack Reed and Sheldon Whitehouse

SOUTH CAROLINA

Jim DeMint and Lindsey Graham

SOUTH DAKOTA

Tim Johnson and John Thune

TENNESSEE

Lamar Alexander and Bob Corker

TEXAS

John Cornyn and Kay Bailey Hutchison

UTAH

Robert F. Bennett and Orrin Hatch

VERMONT

Patrick J. Leahy and Bernard Sanders

VIRGINIA

Mark R. Warner and Jim Webb

WASHINGTON

Maria Cantwell and Patty Murray

WEST VIRGINIA

Robert C. Byrd and John D. Rockefeller, IV

WISCONSIN

Russell D. Feingold and Herb Kohl

WYOMING

John Barrasso and Michael B. Enzi

INFORMING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES THAT A QUORUM OF EACH HOUSE IS ASSEMBLED

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have a resolution at the desk and I ask it now be considered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The resolution (S. Res. 1) informing the President of the United States that a quorum of each House is assembled.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 1) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 1

*Resolved*, That a committee consisting of two Senators be appointed to join such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that a quorum of each House is assembled and that the Congress is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to, and it is my understanding my counterpart also has a motion to make.

Mr. McCONNELL. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

INFORMING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT A QUORUM OF THE SENATE IS ASSEMBLED

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have another resolution at the desk and I ask it now be considered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 2) informing the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 2) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 2

*Resolved*, That the Secretary inform the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and that the Senate is ready to proceed to business.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. McCONNELL. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

SETTING THE DATE OF JANUARY 8, 2009, FOR THE COUNTING OF ELECTORAL VOTES

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have a concurrent resolution at the desk and I ask it now be considered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 1) to provide for the counting on January 8, 2009, of the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the concurrent resolution is considered and agreed to.